

TAXPAYERS TO SAVE MONEY BY MAKING RETURNS NOW

By HILL PRICE.

In these days of taxation you may save a 20 per cent penalty and some trouble to yourself by paying attention to the facts given below as to the returns of personal property in the District, which includes intangible property, the law providing which has just been attacked in the Supreme Court of the District as null and void for many reasons.

All returns for personal property should be made during the month of July. The very last day is August 1, after which there is added a penalty of 20 per cent for failure to get aboard the District tax wagon. The taxes are not payable until May next. Do not send checks now, as some people are doing. It simply complicates things.

Some Furniture Exempt.

Household furniture to the extent of \$1,000 is exempt. If it is worth less than that you need not include it. This, however, includes only the furniture in the abode of the owner. If you own furniture that is rented in houses or apartments, it is subject to return and taxation. There is much of this sort of furniture in Washington.

Your watch is also exempt, but all other articles of personal adornment and jewelry are taxable.

Automobiles are taxable except where the owner has a personal affidavit that he pays this personal tax in another jurisdiction. The Assessor's Office has a list of all persons who have bought automobiles this year, and those who fail to make valuation returns as personal property or furnish an affidavit of having paid taxes elsewhere may get into difficulties.

Intangible Tax.

The intangible tax law is the stumbling-block of the personal tax laws of the District. It bothers officials and the public. It lacks a great deal of being clear, but until the courts make some rulings the interpretations of the Assessor's Office must stand.

Under it every resident of the District and every person engaged in business here, although residing elsewhere, is amenable to the law.

Even if a person is temporarily residing here, the question is whether he is the owner of property located within the District July 1 of each year. To be relieved of responsibility, the owner must furnish an affidavit establishing the fact that the property is included in an assessment and a tax paid thereon in the same jurisdiction for the same period.

Even if the property is removed from the District after July 1 and before time for paying taxes arrives, it is still subject to return and tax.

Officials urge that all those who have rented houses in the District, whether furnished or unfurnished, including apartments, should make returns, although exempt, as it may save them the inconvenience and annoyance of appearing before the personal tax board to make explanations. The returns enable officials to know who is the rightful owner of the property that should be assessed.

No Exemption To Officers.

The law does not exempt army or navy officers residing in the District from making returns. Automobiles and other property owned by them should be returned so that the record may be clear.

"Engaged in business" in the District is not construed as applying to Government clerks and others working for wages and salaries who may live outside the District. If a resident of the District, these classes of employees should make returns if owning property that is returnable.

Stocks of banks and other corporations are exempted because such corporations already pay taxes to the District, based upon their gross receipts or gross earnings.

KING AND QUEEN AGAIN CROSS THE CHANNEL IN AERO



KING ALBERT AND QUEEN ELIZABETH OF BELGIUM.

HAVRE, France, July 12.—King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium arrived here today from England in a hydroaeroplane. Previously they had flown to England to attend the silver wedding anniversary celebration of King George and Queen Mary, being the first members of royalty ever to cross the channel by aeroplane.

Bonds are not exempt, the only exception being Government, State, and municipal. Bonds of all corporations, local or foreign, are taxable.

As to money deposited in building associations, it has been held that it is exempt if based upon stock, but if deposited as a special deposit it is returnable above \$500. Stock in building associations is exempt to any amount. If doubt exists about these or any other matters it is best to consult the officials in room 101, District building.

All moneys in banks or loaned must be returned. There is an exemption of \$500 for strictly individual savings accounts, but all above that must be returned.

The tax upon personal property, tangible and intangible, is \$3 per \$1,000 valuation. For the fiscal year 1918, which closed June 30, last, the returns aggregated nearly \$300,000,000. Upon intangible property the levies amounted to \$400,770 of taxes, practically all of which was collected in May, last.

HEARST-PATHE SHOWS NEW BOMBING PLANE

How American aviators are to bomb Berlin from the air is shown in Hearst-Pathe films screened today in Washington theaters for the last half of the week. The camera recorded the first flight of the Liberty aerial dreadnaught, which gave an exhibition flight recently at Willoughby, N. J., to demonstrate the Liberty motor and bombing device.

Other scenes of current events are depicted in this week's screen review. The sixty-eight soldiers who risked their lives for science's sake in France are shown as recovering from the effects of germ inoculation. Secretary of War Baker visited Camp Grant, Ill., last week to cheer that division of fighters on their way. The camera men snapp the War Secretary as he addressed the khaki-clad troops from a private box. The ship tragedy at Peoria, Ill., the marines training at Wakefield, Mass., the memorial to Major Mitchell, and the Capitol dome illuminated at night are a few of the features in the weekly current events film.

FLYER TO LECTURE.

Members of the United Service Club will give an address on aviation by Lieutenant Marquisan, of the French flying corps, beginning at 8:30 o'clock tonight. Lieutenant Marquisan will illustrate his lecture with a cinematograph taken over there. He is one of the foremost flyers in the French army.

The officers of the club will have a dinner next Tuesday evening Wesley Frost, who will address the members on "German Submarine Methods."

Housewives Should Report Charges Exceeding These

To the Householders of the District of Columbia:

Below are given the fair prices on staple food commodities. If your dealer charges more for any items than those listed below, please report and send your sales slips, if possible, to Clarence R. Wilson, Federal food administrator for the District of Columbia, 901 Sixteenth street northwest.

Commodity	Retailer Pays	Consumer Should Pay
Cornmeal, white, bulk, per lb.	.04	.05
Wheat flour, 24 lb. bag (best grades)	\$1.35	\$1.40
Broken lots, less than 24 lb. bag		.07
Barley flour, per lb.		.07
Corn flour, per lb.	.08	.09
Rice, fancy whole head, per lb.	.09	.10
Blue Rose, per lb.	.09	.11
Sugar, granulated, bulk or pkg., lb.	.09	.11
Lard compound, per lb.	.24	.25
Oleomargarine, per lb.	.24	.25
Nut Oleomargarine, per lb.	.24	.25
Butter, creamery, best table firsts in print, per lb.	.47	.49
American cheese, whole milk, per lb.	.26	.28
1/2 lb. lots		.18
1/4 lb. lots		.15
Eggs, nearby fresh, per doz.	.39	.42
Beans, dried Lima, per lb.	.14	.16
Beans, white navy, per lb.	.11	.12
Beans, Pinto, per lb.	.09	.10
Bacon, in whole piece, per lb.	.39	.42
Bacon, sliced in bulk, per lb.	.42	.44
Bacon, sliced in carton, per lb.	.52	.55
Lard, pure, per lb. (in tubs)	.26	.28
Ham, standard, per lb.	.30	.32
Bread, Victory loaf, machine made, 1/2 lb.	.07	.08
Bread, Victory loaf, machine made, 1 lb.	.08	.09
White Potatoes, new (U. S. grade No. 1), per 15 lb. (1 pk.)	.55	.60
White Potatoes, new (U. S. grade No. 2), per 15 lb. (1 pk.)	.30	.35

ISAAC GOES TO SCAFOLD DEATH SINGING A HYMN

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the dark of just before dawn, both of these prisoners, Snowden and Evans, hid under their blankets and held their pillows tight over their heads. They did not want to see Isaac prepared for death, even though each of them soon must undergo the same preparation.

The hanging of Annappolis' first "conservation execution." No expense was incurred that was not essential. The custom of building a new gallows was not followed, and the old gallows that has been standing in the jail yard for many months was used. Sheriff Bellis did not even buy a new rope, and no death robes were purchased. Isaac and the other in the clothes he wore the day he was locked in the jail.

Denied Slaying Girl.

Isaac insisted to the very last that he did not kill Miss Ebert, but had gone to her assistance when she was attacked by two colored soldiers. This was his first tale, and he after-wards denied it to the detectives and local officials. Later he revived it and had persisted in it to the end.

In a statement which he dictated to his spiritual adviser, the Rev. E. H. Holt, he said that he knew that he was to die and must not go before God with a lie on his lips, and that he did not kill Miss Ebert. He said he saw a thing in a letter written to his mother yesterday. Before the men and women who have been faithful helpers to him in his trouble, Isaac stood with folded arms and said that as sure as God was in heaven he had not committed murder.

Contradicted Self.

Isaac had at one time or another denied every statement that he had made. He had told a number of persons that there were no soldiers there. He had even said that he hit the woman with a stone, though later he said that he threw it at one of the soldiers.

It is a strange case, and it is hard to account for the man's pose. For the last two days he had appeared to be in a religious ecstasy, singing hymns, and going to his Maker, yet he insists that he never said the things that he did say repeatedly, and that though he had lived a bad life, he had not committed the crime for which he was to pay the penalty.

Sheriff Bellis wisely decided that the execution would come off in an hour which would make it accompanied with as little excitement as possible. Isaac was told to be ready promptly in the morning. Up to 10 o'clock last night, the little band of men and women sang and prayed with Isaac, who took a lively interest in all that they did. They were led by the Rev. Benjamin S. Holt and Mrs. George Boston.

Three men and three women sat before the cell in a narrow aisle, while Isaac, with his head tilted back, faced them through the steel bars. He joined in the singing heartily, sometimes standing up and swaying to the music.

At 11 o'clock an interval between the singing that he called upon his Maker to witness that he was not a murderer.

CONGRESS MAY PROBE FOREIGN LANGUAGE PRESS

Disclosures showing use of huge sums of German money to influence and control the press in the United States have stirred up a demand in Congress for thorough investigation of the whole foreign language press.

Fear that German money may still be keeping alive many papers printed in the German and Austrian languages is felt by members of Congress. Several of them have evidence that German money did help keep some of these papers going for a while after America's entrance into the war. This evidence has been in the hands of the Department of Justice some time.

Senator King of Utah, who several months ago introduced a bill for suppression of the German-Austrian language press in the United States, has chairman of a subcommittee in charge of the bill, to call a meeting at once and report the measure to the Senate.

A country worth fighting for is a country worth saving for. Buy war savings stamps with your savings.

WALL ST. MARKET STEADY TONE AS STOCK SESSION OPENS.

With Few Exceptions, First Prices Show Slight Fractional Advances, Which Are Bettered in First Few Minutes—American Sumatra Up.

NEW YORK, July 12.—There was a steady tone to the stock market at the opening today, and with few exceptions first prices showed slight fractional advances, which were bettered in the first few minutes, in some cases to the extent of nearly 1 point.

American Sumatra was distinguished by a special move, gaining 3/4 to 120.

There were advances ranging from 1/4 to 1 point in American Can, Republic Iron and Steel, Mexico Petroleum, Central Leather, Steel companion, Reading, Marine preferred, and others.

It was clearly evident that increasing gains throughout the list was due to the covering by shorts.

Before the start of the first half hour net advances of nearly 1 point were shown by Mexico Petroleum, which moved up to 95 1/2.

The market continued a purely professional affair during the greater part of the forenoon. The volume of dealings was small. Some issues made good advances, but did not hold all the gains.

American Sumatra, after moving up 3 points to 120, reacted to 127 1/2 with a rally to 128 1/2.

Today's quotations follow:

Yesterday's Close	High	Low	P.M.
55 Mo Pac pf.	55 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2
52 1/2 Midvale Stl.	52 1/2	51 1/2	52 1/2
18 1/2 Nat C & C.	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
19 1/2 N Y C. Cop.	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
7 1/2 N Y Cent.	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
37 1/2 N Y N H & H.	38 1/2	38	38
87 1/2 N Y Pacific.	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
36 1/2 Ohio Gas.	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
43 Ohio F. S.	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
P Am Pet pf.	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Pee G & C.	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
43 1/2 Penn R. E.	44	43 1/2	44
36 1/2 Pitts & W Va.	36	36	36
P & W Va pf.	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
114 1/2 Pull Pal Car.	113 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2
24 1/2 Ray Con Cop.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
89 1/2 Reading.	90 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2
59 Ry St Sprgs.	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
90 1/2 R. I. & Steel.	91 1/2	90 1/2	91
31 Sinclair Oil.	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
23 1/2 Southern Ry.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
62 1/2 So Ry pf.	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
87 1/2 South Pacific.	88 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
45 Studebaker.	45	45	45
43 1/2 Sup Steel.	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
147 1/2 Tenn C & C.	148	147 1/2	147 1/2
64 1/2 Texas Co.	64	63 1/2	63 1/2
121 1/2 Union Pac.	122	121 1/2	121 1/2
121 1/2 Un Al Steel.	122	121 1/2	121 1/2
124 United Fruit	125	125	125
99 1/2 U Cig Stores	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
121 1/2 U S Ind Al.	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
59 1/2 U S Rubber.	61	59 1/2	61
103 1/2 U S Steel.	104 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2
111 U S Steel pf.	111	111	111
72 Va C & C.	72 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
10 1/2 Wabash.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
42 1/2 Wabash pf.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
87 1/2 West Union.	87	87	87
41 1/2 White M.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
19 1/2 Willys-Over.	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
81 1/2 Will Over pf.	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2

BALTIMORE GRAIN MARKET.

BALTIMORE, July 12.—Wheat—Firm. No. 2 red winter, \$2.35 1/2; No. 2 red hard, \$2.33 1/2. Receipts, \$9,587 bushels; shipments, 61 bushels.

Corn—Firm. Contract yellow, \$1.53. Receipts, 145 bushels; shipments, 10,938 bushels.

Oats—Firm. No. 3 white domestic, \$1.40. Receipts, 74,157 bushels; shipments, 124,457 bushels.

Rye—Steady. No. 2 western export, new, \$1.71. Receipts, 38 bushels; shipments, 14 bushels.

Hay—Firm. No. 1 timothy, per ton, \$25.00; No. 1 clover, mixed, \$21.50; No. 2, fair demand.

EXPLAINS WHY U-BOATS AVOID U. S. TRANSPORTS

AMSTERDAM, July 12.—A brand new explanation why German submarines are not sinking American transports has just been put out by the semi-official Wolff Bureau, of Germany.

According to this source the U-boats are conducting themselves in attacking neutral and allied shipping in the traffic lanes. The bureau adds:

"Submarines are not wasting precious time trying to trap transports which are well armed and are conveyed by warships that are well able to save the greater part of the men on the transports. To sink transports would be an exploit, but it would not further the principle of submarine warfare."

GERMAN WOMAN ENDS LIFE.

PHILADELPHIA, July 12.—Mrs. Margaret Lebach, forty-seven years old, of this city, a German, committed suicide by hanging today because she was afraid she would be interned. The fear was groundless. She was registered as an alien enemy, and had been recalled only to give fresh fingerprints, the ones given being blurred.

FINANCIAL	FINANCIAL	FINANCIAL
Travelers' Checks and Letters of Credit	Protection is not an expense but an investment that pays continuous dividends in peace of mind and freedom from worry concerning one's precious papers, deeds, stocks and bonds.	RENT A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX in our vaults for your small valuables before leaving town.
National Savings & Trust Company	Capital and Surplus, \$2,000,000	Corner 15th and N. Y. Ave. FIFTY-SECOND YEAR.
The Safest Investments	Are those that do not fluctuate during disturbed conditions and that are based on first-class trust notes (first mortgages), well secured on real estate in the District of Columbia, constitute "gold-edge" investments, and they do not depend upon the financial responsibility of individuals or corporations for their stability. We can supply such investments in amounts from \$500 upward. See our booklet, "Concerning Loans and Investments."	SWARTZELL, RHEEM & HENSEN CO.

THE LOCAL MARKET BIDDING ON PRINCIPAL SECURITIES STRONGER.

Capital Traction Shares Sell at Advance of Several Points—Mergenthaler Linotype Jumps Four and Half Points—Total Sales for Week.

Bidding on principal securities on the local stock exchange assumed a stronger tone today.

Capital Traction stock was sold at a rise of several points.

Mergenthaler Linotype stock was sold at 112, the last previous sale on the exchange being at 107 1/2.

Total sales for the week ending July 12, are as follows: Bonds, \$19,900; script, \$217,500; stock, 100.

TODAY'S SALES.

Capital Traction 5's, 5000/100, 5000/100.

Washington Railway 4's, 1000/000.

Capital Traction, 100/107.

Commercial National Bank, 100/157.

After call:

Mergenthaler, 100/112.

Washington Railway pfd., 100/000.

Washington Railway 4's, 1000/000.

Capital Traction 5's, 5000/100.

THE LOCAL MARKET. GOVERNMENT BONDS.

U. S. Reg. 3's	98	98
U. S. Reg. 4's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
U. S. Reg. 5's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
U. S. Coupon 3's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
U. S. Coupon 4's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
U. S. Coupon 5's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
Liberty Loan 3's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
Lib. Loan 4's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
2d Lib. Loan 4's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98
3d Liberty Loan 4's <td>98</td> <td>98</td>	98	98

RAILROAD BONDS.

Cap. Traction R. R. 5's	100
Metropolitan R. R. 5's	97
Wash. Ry. & Elec. 4's	98
Wash. Ry. & Elec. 5's	98
Wash. Ry. & Elec. 6's	98

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

Pot. Elec. Co. 5's	97 1/2
Potomac El. Power 5's	99
C. & P. Telephone 5's	100
Am. Tel. & Tel. 5's	98 1/2
Am. Tel. & Tel. 4's	98 1/2
A. T. & T. Cont. T. 5's	99
Amer. Graph. Int. 5's	91
D. C. Paper Mfg. 5's	98
Wash. Market 5's, 1917	95
Wash. Market 5's, 1918	95
W. M. Cold Storage 5's	94
Sec. St. & Safe Dep. 5's	101
N. W. Steamboat 5's	100
Riggs Realty 5's (short)	100
Riggs Realty 5's (short)	101

PUBLIC UTILITY STOCKS.

Capital Traction	88
Capitol Nat. Bank	88
Wash. Ry. & Elec. com.	48
Wash. Ry. & Elec. pfd.	65 1/2
N. & W. Steamboat	155
Columbia Gas & El. 5's	32
"Amer. Tel. & Tel."	98 1/2
Mergenthaler Linotype	111
Lincoln Nat. Bank	100
Lincoln Nat. Bank	100

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Amer. Nat. Bank	148
Capitol Nat. Bank	120
Com. Nat. Bank	120
District Nat. Bank	140
Far. & Mech. Nat. Bk.	230
Federal Nat. Bank	164
Lincoln Nat. Bank	100
Lincoln Nat. Bank	100
Riggs Nat. Bank	420
Second National Bank	125
Nat. Bk. of Wash.	230

TRUST COMPANY STOCKS.

"Amer. Sec. & Trust"	207
National Sav. & Trust	230
Union Trust	118 1/2

FINANCIAL

Condensed Statement, June 20, 1918

RESOURCES

Real Estate (140 Broadway, 66 Liberty Street, 25 East 60th Street)	\$5,000,000.00
Bonds and Mortgages	1,646,400.00
U. S. Government Securities	81,178,081.08
Public Securities	19,530,513.23
Other Securities	52,388,704.51
Loans and Bills Purchased	338,296,917.42
Cash—on Hand and in Banks	117,525,966.39
Exchanges for Clearing House	10,147,911.28
Foreign Exchange	17,038,108.10
Credit Granted on Domestic and Foreign	50,629,196.86
Accrued Interest and Accounts Receivable	3,658,786.13
	\$697,040,585.00

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$25,000,000
Surplus Fund—required by law	5,000,000
Additional Surplus not required by law	20,000,000
Undivided Profits	\$50,000,000.00
Accrued Dividend	1,725,681.63
Outstanding Treasurer's Checks	1,100,000.00
Accrued Interest Payable	7,667,822.19
Reserve for Taxes and Expenses	2,482,408.52
Foreign Accounts	1,018,004.85
Domestic and Foreign Acceptances	8,649,028.63
Bills Payable with Federal Reserve Bank	7,629,196.86
Deposits	10,000,000.00
	\$697,040,585.00

Howard Chandler Christy's Five-Color War Posters

Will Feature the Front Page of the

Magazine Section of Next Sunday's TIMES

Are you saving these War Posters? The original paintings have been turned over to the War Department.

NOTE—A few of the first two posters in this series may be had at the main office of The Times in connection with our Sunday issues of